

**Subject:** RE: Traffic Control Permits for Tree Trimming  
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**Date:** 07/07/2016 11:35 AM  
**To:** 'Blair Besten' <blair@historiccore.bid>, Andrew Thomas <Andrew@westwoodvillagedistrict.com>, Randall Tampa <rtampa@fashiondistrict.org>, Brian Raboin <BRaboin@downtownla.com>

Hi Blair,

That's outrageous. We just trimmed almost 200 trees and were not assessed these fees. The contractor pulled the permits as part of their contract but the costs did not reflect the numbers you are talking about. I'm wondering what we did differently. Attached is a copy of our permit. Do you want to send over the paperwork you have on this so we can see how it differs?

Thanks.

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From: Blair Besten [<mailto:blair@historiccore.bid>]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 06, 2016 9:03 PM  
To: Andrew Thomas; Randall Tampa; Suzanne Holley  
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Good evening!

Just wanted to let you know that the City is charging us \$13,000 in traffic control permits and fees for just over 120 trees. This is absurd. Any thoughts in appealing to City Hall regarding this? I'm all for following protocol but there shouldn't be punitive damages for doing the City's work for them.

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Blair Besten  
Sent from my iPhone

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